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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Room TW-B204
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation in IB Docket No. 00-248

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter provides notice that on June 8, 2005, representatives of seven broadcast and television programming companies and the undersigned met with the staff members of the International Bureau copied below to discuss matters pertaining to the referenced rulemaking proceeding. A list of the broadcast and television programming company representatives is included as an attachment hereto.

The participants discussed the Commission's proposal to prohibit analog video transmissions in the context of new off-axis EIRP envelopes for earth stations in the fixed-satellite service in the conventional C- and Ku-bands. The broadcast and television programming company representatives explained that analog video transmissions are still being used to a significant degree and that these transmissions remain essential to their operations now and into the foreseeable future, including as a backup transmission source in the event of a loss of a digital transmission and for backhaul services, among their many uses. The representatives also expressed concern that the proposed one-year transition period after which analog video transmissions would no longer be permitted is truly unrealistic given the complexities associated with digital conversion and the small number of suppliers producing conversion equipment.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b), the original and one copy of this letter and attachment are submitted for inclusion in the file of the referenced proceeding.

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Please direct any questions you may have to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Broadcast and Television Programming Company Representatives Attending the June 8, 2005
Meeting with International Bureau Staff Members:

Doug Joseph	Lifetime
Jim Occhiuto	Showtime
John Eberhard	ESPN
Susan Fox	Disney
Chris Ehrenbard	CBS
Anne Lucey	Viacom
Michael Aloisi	MTV Networks